

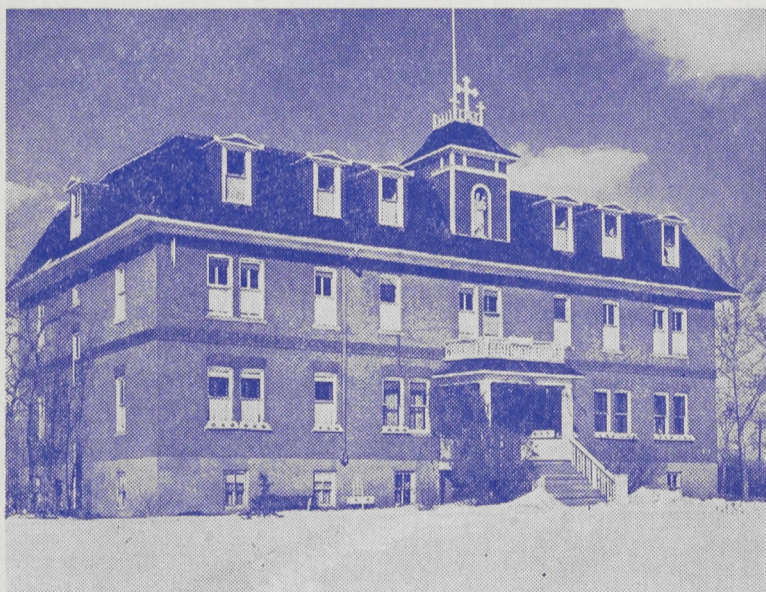
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There are two criteria by which a successful magazine is measured. One of these is the way in which the magazine satisfies the needs of its readers, and the other is how close an interest or relationship is entertained between the publication and its patrons. If a magazine has these two qualities, it can be truly said to have the magic touch.

The YOUTH is striving very ardently to achieve this magic touch but it can do so only with your help and support, if we know what your needs are. We try to have articles in every issue which will be of interest to you and which will help you in some way, but we are never quite sure whether they hit the mark as far as you're concerned, unless you write and tell us.

Youth is a time when we are faced with many problems. Very often we can get help in situations like this merely by discussing them with someone else or by hearing what others have to say, or by learning how others have solved similar problems. Why not make this magazine your forum by sending in your queries and viewpoints.

If the YOUTH is to achieve the second trait needed for the magic touch, the help of every reader is extremely essential. This is your magazine, why not keep in closer touch with this periodical by writing in from time to time. If we print something you like, tell us about it. Similarly, if you disagree with anything, let us know about it too. If there is any particular problem you would like to have aired in these pages, the matter can easily be attended to. We are always open to comments and criticisms as well as to praise.

The YOUTH has the potentialities of becoming the leading periodical of its type in Canada. This is something which we fervently hope to accomplish and we are sure that, with your help, it can become a reality. To date we have barely scratched the surface as far as subscriptions are concerned. If every Ukrainian Catholic Youth in Canada were a subscriber, our circulation would increase a hundred-fold. Just think what a magazine we would have then.

Why not try to bring us closer to our objective by at least doubling the present circulation before the summer holidays? This could be very easily accomplished if every one of us got at least one new subscriber.

Remember, as our subscription lists grow, so will the size of this magazine. It's an objective worth striving for, don't you think so?

Editor.

St. Joseph's Orphanage, Mundare

Because of the prominent publicity given to many charitable institutions operated by other religions and nationalities, many of us tend to overlook the fact that we too have many organizations of which we can be truly proud. The reason for depicting the St. Joseph's Orphanage on our cover is to acquaint every reader with one of the very important works of mercy performed by a well-known Religious Order, the Sisters of Service.

For those of us who have been fortunate enough to grow up under the care of our own parents, it may seem difficult to visualize what it would have been like to grow up without their love and guidance. For those who have suffered the loss of one or both parents, it is much easier to understand the utter sense of heartache, despair, loneliness and sense of loss and dependency. A tragic event like that, when parents are needed most would shatter anyone's security and hope. It was because the Sisters of Service realized the urgency of the problem, and wanted to help such unfortunate children, that the orphanage at Mundare was organized. The Sisters' work here is not merely a work of mercy but also a work of love. With their kindness, sympathy, understanding, and enthusiasm, the Sisters are striving to provide a home for unfortunate children so they will once again have someone to love them and care for them. In addition to filling the basic needs of the children, the Sisters are giving sufficient education to these child-

ren to enable them to take their place in society as reliable and respected citizens.

All of us can help the Sisters of Service directly and indirectly in making their work easier and pleasanter. First of all, we can help them by giving regular donations of money to help them meet financial obligations. We could also send them various toys and games to provide more recreational facilities for the children. If we live within reasonable travelling distance of an orphanage we could always organize a visit to the place and help for a few hours. An example of an organization which is doing very commendable work in this regard is the St. Mary's Sodality of St. Josephat's Cathedral in Edmonton. Each year, during the Christmas season, the members of the club charter a bus and make an all-day visit to the Mundare Orphanage. They bring presents and goodies for the children and help the Sisters by looking after many of the children on that day. In this way they bring joy to the hearts of the youngsters and also benefit themselves by experiencing that warm feeling which a person gets by helping others.

In a future issue of our magazine we hope to present a more detailed account of the work being done at the Mundare Orphanage. For the present, we would like to leave you with the hope that you will always try to help those who are less fortunate than yourselves.

To the Sisters of Service we ex-

tend our thanks for the wonderful work which they are doing and pray that God will permit them to con-

tinue and expand with the highly commendable and necessary services which they are undertaking.

Description of The Ukrainian-Byzantine Rite

Excerpt from "Ukrainian Catholics" by Rev. M. Schudlo, C.S.S.R.

The Ukrainian Catholic Rite has many splendid properties, that render it is precious to those who are fortunate to belong to it.

It is Artistic

Entering a Ukrainian Catholic Church we see numerous images of Christ, the Blessed Virgin Mary and other Saints. Elaborate banners adorn its interior, reminding the faithful of their obligation to battle for Christ and His Church, since all Christians should be soldiers of Christ in these evil days of materialism and unbelief.

It is full of Deep Emotions

It comprises much dogmatic material, which illustrates many articles of the Christian faith. The brethren glorify God, solicit spiritual favours for themselves, ask for aid that is necessary for humanity: peace, health, good crops.

With the **Song of Cherubin** the children of the Church praise God as the Angels are praising Him in heaven.

With the **Credo** they confidentially sing to God and courageously confess their faith.

With **Dostojno yest** they give thanks to the Blessed Virgin Mary for having given Jesus Christ to the world, without whom the Sac-

rifice of the Mass would be impossible.

How wonderful are the Vechirnia, Matins, Molebens, Akafists, Suplicazia! They abound with passages of the Holy Scripture, praying to God with His own word.

It is Symbolic

Mystic symbolism is the foundation of all services. The Oriental Christian is by his nature an introvert; he delves into his religion, he studies it and browses among its Sacred Writings. The Church services are, therefore, longer, because mystics do not rush with God. The Ukrainians love symbolic ceremonies that remind them of the life of Christ, or recall to their mind the various truths of religion.

The cross is found everywhere, being a symbol of our salvation and glory. The sign of the cross is used continually in the Church services.

The Ukrainians use a three or one-barred cross.

In a three-barred cross the first bar is the title or inscription, the second one is the regular cross bar and the third inclined bar is Saint Andrew's cross. Saint Andrew is

considered the Apostle of Rus-Ukraine.

SINGING — The Ukrainians make use of **congregational singing** though choirs are also used. They know much of the services, by heart, and sing the antiphons, responses and hymns with great skill and piety. The congregation in union with the priest harmonizes the chants, glorifying God with one heart.

BOW — The Ukrainians entering or leaving the Church make a bow instead of genuflecting. The bow is a beautiful gesture, being a symbol of a humble offering of one's whole being to God. This bow is called **metania**, which means penance.

INCENSE — is used abundantly in all church services. The **CENSER** or **Kadylo** represents the Divine ember, Jesus Christ. The perfumed smoke of the incense represents the prayers of the faithful, that must be born up to the throne of God like the fragrant incense.

LIGHTS and numerous candles are used during the divine services even in full sunlight to remind the people of Jesus Christ, ineffable light of our souls, that illumines the whole world with supernatural radiance.


PICTURES—or icons are used for decoration of the church and for the instruction of the faithful through examples. The people slightly bow before them, kiss them ardently adoring Christ or venerating the Saints that they represent. It is not idolatry, as some sectarians pretend, for the people

do not adore the pictures, but respect the Saints, whom they represent.

HOLY WATER—is often used by the Ukrainian Priests and the people with confidence in God's aid to asperse objects such as animals, houses and grains.

The **CALENDAR**—in the Ukrainian Church begins on September the first. The holy-days are mostly celebrated according to the Julian Calendar, which is thirteen days behind the Gregorian. Many Ukrainians, however, have already adopted the Gregorian Calendar especially those living in big cities, where it is difficult for them to follow the old one. The change of the Calendar does not affect our beautiful rite, nor make it Latin. The Orthodox Greeks adopted the Gregorian Calendar in 1923 without becoming Latins.

The **CULT** of the **BLESSED VIRGIN** is widely spread throughout Ukraine both among Catholics and Orthodox. The miraculous image of the Mother of Perpetual Help is in great vogue among the Ukrainians. The Kozaks brought it in their maritime raids against the Tartars and Turks. The heavenly Queen is the powerful Patroness of whom Yaroslav the Wise, called by some historians "Charlomagne of Rus" consecrated Ukraine in 1037. This cordial veneration is acceptable to the Heart of the Mother of God, for she has numerous miraculous icons almost in every region of the country, among which the most famous are: Bohorodyzia of Zarvanizia in Podolia, Bohorodyzia of Krekhiv, of Hoshiv, of Pochaiv, where the Blessed Vir-

 gin appeared in 1675, extending her omofor (mantle) and protecting the monastery against the furious attacks of the Turks.

The Ukrainians call the Blessed Virgin "Queen of Ruskoho krayu (country)" for her love and protection of their country. There are many so-called weeping Madonnas, for the Blessed Virgin on several occasions shed tears upon the misfortunes of the country, especially in times of great national disasters such as wars, persecutions and incursions. No doubt the compassionate Mother and Queen of Ukraine must shed many tears, when the Red Russians are killing thousands of Ukrainian Catholics and destroying so religious a national life in a country, which was the first among European nations to be consecrated to Her care and

protection. She certainly will not abandon a nation which has had such great confidence in Her protection.

The above excerpts from the "Ukrainian Catholics" were reprinted with the kind permission of the author and publisher. One more excerpt will appear in next month's issue.

"Ukrainian Catholics", a handy pocket size book, contains such a wealth of pertinent information that we urge all of our readers to get a copy for themselves. It is a book which should appear in every Ukrainian home. Copies are only fifty cents each and may be obtained by mailing the required sum to:

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Date Data

THE PROBLEM OF KISSING

The present century has witnessed greater scientific progress than at any era of human interest. Modern methods of transportation, labor-saving devices, radio, television, movies, and hosts of other innovations have all combined to make life today more pleasant than before. However, paralleled with this progress there has been a degeneration in the things which really count in life—those having to do with morals and with man's purpose in life. Never has there been such an upsurge in divorce rates, in loose morals, or in juvenile delinquency. It's up to us as Catholics, to make more people realize the error of their ways and to turn once more

to the everlasting truths which Jesus Christ taught. We can do so most effectively by good example.

Let's start off our discussion by tackling one of the most pertinent problems facing young people today—the problem of kissing. Many of the comments young people have about this matter are, "Everybody's doing it. If a girl doesn't kiss a boy good-night, she doesn't get asked for another date. I don't see anything wrong with it. How can kissing be sinful?" You could probably name dozens of other comments so let that suffice.

Many modern stories, movies and views have glorified sex so much that they have cheapened love and

taken familiarities for granted. Kissing was meant to be a sign of love between two people, something sacred and precious, to be preserved and unsoiled until the right time. It wasn't meant to be passed around lightly and carelessly as it is today among so many people. The kiss of Judas is an infamous example of evil arising from the kiss. Just as Judas betrayed his Master with a kiss, so is the girl who is free with her kisses a betrayal to her sex. Purity and chastity are the greatest gifts a girl can offer to the man she marries.

Before going into any further discussion into the matter, let us see what others have to say about the problem of kissing. The following three excerpts from booklets on purity will help clarify the problem:

"Not every kiss or embrace between company keepers is a sin but they easily lead to what is sinful. Necking and petting should never be indulged in by those who wish to remain virtuous. 'Of all the youth who go to parties, attend dances, and ride together in automobiles, more than ninety per cent indulge in hugging and kissing,' says Judge Lindsey of Denver. His long and intimate experience with youth well qualifies him to speak. 'Fifty per cent of the original ninety per cent indulge in half-way sex intimacies that wreck the health and morals alike . . . fifteen to twenty per cent of those who begin with hugging and kissing, eventually go the limit,' continues the Judge."

"The second great danger of cradle courtships is that of immorality—passionate petting, kissing, parking in an automobile in lover's

lanes, and the like. When curiosity is strong in any department of the mind, experiments are likely to be set up to dissolve that curiosity. And constant close companionship between boys and girls in courtship right at the time when curiosity about sex is strongest, is bound to bring the less disciplined into trouble."

"It is true that not every kiss or embrace between those keeping company is a sin. If it is not prolonged or passionate, and is not accompanied by any immodesty, it is not sinful, but even then it can produce a strong tendency towards evil that must be seriously resisted. What is called 'necking' or 'petting' or 'soul-kissing', etc., is forbidden because such conduct is intimately bound up with or inevitably leads to indulgence in forbidden pleasure."

After reading the above excerpts, don't you think that it is indeed shocking to consider the downward trend in morals among so many young people?

Let's consider another angle. What about the case of the girl who wants to be good but who also wants to go out with boys and have a good time? In many situations it is a case of no kiss, no boy friend, because the young men demand a good-night kiss as pay for their courtesies. Should a girl who revolts at the thought of yielding her lips to fellows who don't even pretend to love her, do so, just because she wants to have fun being escorted to parties and dances instead of being the proverbial wall flower? The answer to these questions is a definite and emphatic NO. The girl's first kiss should be the kiss

of love from the man she expects to marry. A girl who kisses every Tom, Dick and Harry who has a date with her, is one whose morals are in a distorted shape and in bad need for re-examining.

An excerpt from a Queen's Work Pamphlet in Kissing expresses this view very well.

"It is a pity that girls can never be made to realize that the most alluring and attractive thing about them is the aura of innocence and unsophistication that surrounds them. It is the whiteness, the untrodden snowiness of their souls that is their chief charm, and they never make so fatal a mistake as when they throw this away.

"If girls were only wise enough to realize how fascinating aloofness is, and what an appeal unsullied purity makes to the masculine imagination, they would keep every man at arm's length at least until he came out and popped the question. They would not think for a minute of putting up with cheap familiarities from men that rob them of their freshness and make them little shop-worn bits of humanity that have been pawed over like the goods on a bargain table."

There is a very effective answer that a girl can make to every man's request for a kiss. First, she could ask him whether he would like his sister to kiss any man good-night who happened to go with her. Continuing with this idea, she could ask him what advice he would give if his sister were in her place. If this doesn't work, there is another approach which would clinch the matter in her favor. She could ask him if he would like to think that the girl he is going to marry some

day had kissed dozens of men before him who were mere casual acquaintances. That will certainly stop him cold and his amorous intentions will be shattered to bits.

It is rather ironic and even pathetic that when a man marries a girl, he wants her to be one who hasn't been familiar with other men. Yet, very often, this same individual doesn't even give it another thought when he soils the purity of a girl who is little more than a passing acquaintance.

(To be Continued)

IMPORTANT: "Date Data" will continue to be a regular monthly feature only if there is a demand for articles of this type. If you would like to have items of this nature appear regularly, write us a brief note and tell us so.

Say It With Love

See no evil in your neighbor,
Be as stricken blind
To his faults redeemed by virtues,
Beautiful and kind;
Every heart contains some treasure;
Seek and you shall find.

Hear no evil of your neighbor,
Close your mind and ear,
To the tale some false one utters
When he is not near;
Shun the venom-tongued traducer
With distrust and fear.

Speak no evil of your neighbor,
Though he guilty be,
Let your words be fraught with pity,
Not with mockery.
And your deeds be those of mercy
Love and gentle charity.

U.C.Y. Carnival, Yorkton, Saskatchewan



The QUEEN and HER ATTENDANTS, taken at the Ukrainian Catholic Youth Carnival. Reading from left to right are: Theresa Dombrosky Delores Matysio, Alice Dobko, Grace Sordee (Queen), Adel Sedulsky, Mary Klimosko, Jean Pasowesty.

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St. Peter and St. Paul's, Saskatoon

St. Peter and St. Paul's Parish, on February 16th, was the scene of the first meeting of a new U.C.Y. organization in Saskatoon. The following week the first official meeting was held which resulted in the following executive:

President: Gene Zadvorny
 Vice-President: Helen Kemenda
 Secretary-Treasurer:
 Mabel Chillack
 Fifth Member: Ed Komanko

Two Auditors: Violet Sass and
 Natalie Kupchyk

Press Correspondent :

Betty Ostashevski

Sports Director: Don Turchenek

Social Director Bill Ostashevski

Organizer: Orest Zabinsky

The spiritual advisor to the club is Reverend Father Hrynchyshyn.

Since then five more meetings have been held and each one has been both interesting and entertain-

ing. As yet the membership consists of only twenty-two members, but hopes are that this will be increased very shortly.

Meetings are held every Tuesday evening at eight o'clock and we extend a cordial welcome to each and everyone who is interested.

Calmar U.C.Y. Notes

The Calmar U.C.Y. has now come back to life. For the past months the Calmar U.C.Y. have tried to get organized, and have now succeeded.

The Leduc Holy Trinity Parish, the Calmar St. Mary's Parish, the Calmar Holy Trinity Parish, makes up our U.C.Y. Because there are so few in each parish, we are combined to make one U.C.Y. Our executive consists of the following:

President: Johnny Sych
 Vice-President: David Buchak
 Secretary: Dianne Podgurny
 Treasurer: Orest Karbonik
 Social Convenor: Irene Karabonik
 Fifth Member: Dennis Hayduk
 Press Correspondent:
 Irene Karabonik
 Spiritual Chairman:
 Elizabeth Karabonik

The meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month. We have recently adopted the Question Box, which we find very interesting and educational.

The U.C.Y. have donated two boats to the St. Basil's Villa Camp, which will be in use this coming summer. The members are planning an Easter donation to the St. Joseph's Orphanage at Mundare, and a donation to the Press Fund.

The Calmar U.C.Y. have had many varied activities. At the end of the year, 1955, the club held two successful whist drives. On Decem-

ber 18th, the club held their Christmas Party. The exchanging of gifts, playing of games, and caroling ended the evening. At Christmas, the members of the club went caroling and made a sum well over two hundred dollars. This was the most profitable venture. On February 12th, the Calmar U.C.Y. Local held their last social event before Easter. The social was a great success in that all the members co-operated.

We would like to wish the Calmar U.C.Y. the best of luck in the coming year and hope that before next year rolls around they will have doubled the number of members.

Gotrox: Would you love my daughter just as much if she had no money?

Young Man: Yes, I would.

Gotrox: That's enough. I don't want my daughter marrying any idiot.

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WHO WILL BE NEXT ?

Holy Eucharist U.C.Y.

Edmonton

The Holy Eucharist U.C.Y. club started with the beginning of the school semester and has managed excellently under the supervallence of our vigorous president. Helen Pisesky, our new president, besides being a very conscientious worker, is an extremely charming personality who at present is completing her Grade 11 at St. Joseph's High School. Other members elected to this year's staff include:

Vice-President: Jean Proskow

Secretary: Nettie Sayko

Treasurer: Raymond Warawa

Fifth Member: Stanley Kowalski

Although our club is relatively small in number we have collaborated with our senior organizations in many of their enterprises. Our one drawback is that we lack older members. All the members are students which means that we are not at liberty to undertake too many large projects.

Meetings of the club are held every second Monday where various subjects are discussed, committee reports given and questions asked. Every meeting is ended with a small social, including dancing or whist and lunch.

Our larger socials this year have varied from a skating party at Lake View to dances, the biggest and most successful of which was the Christmas Party, two sleigh rides which culminated with dancing to the turntable at Maynard's Barn.

Our greatest success this year was the annual teen dance which was held at the Highland's Community Hall. A great crowd plus Ron Repka's orchestra created a perfect evening for one and all. Refreshments were certainly appreciated by the enthusiastic dancers.

The next social on the agenda will be the Mother's Day Tea which will be held in May.

With the melting of the snow our baseball team is donning gloves in anticipation of a great season ahead. Our sports committee under Rudy Pisesky has also arranged that the club play basketball at East Glen during the spring.

Our sports committee would like to issue a challenge to all other U.C.Y. baseball teams to a game. All teams interested please contact Rudy Pisesky, phone 781432.

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We Have Nothing In Common With You

Translation of Article Appearing in Edmonton Ukrainian News

On February 2nd down to the 5th inclusive, the Communist Front Organization, the Association of United Ukrainian Canadians held a

Convention in Toronto. It is hardly worth while to dignify this Association, whose purpose is to infiltrate and ultimately dominate all other

Ukrainian Organizations in Canada.

There is no doubt about the political ideology of this Association and its subservience to Moscow. It is representative of but a small percentage of the Ukrainians in Canada but its aim is to take them all into its fold.

One could ignore the Association of United Ukrainian Canadians were it not for the fact that it is a communist organization, a fifth column organization, a branch of the Labor Progressive Party (L.P.P.), and perhaps of a more subtle and conspiratorial organization, whose purpose is to propagandize the Ukrainian elements in Canada.

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At their convention in Toronto, this Association resorted to an unusual tactic. Speaking of the 100th Anniversary of Ivan Franko, Ukrainian writer, they made a right-about-face by appealing for the unity of Canadian Ukrainians as Canadians, thus trying to obviate what the Canadian Ukrainian Committee has always been propagating. In appealing for this so-called Canadian unity the "ASSOCIATION OF UNITED UKRAINIAN CANADIANS" pleads world peace as its basic argument. But when they speak of world peace, they mean Russian peace and thus the ultimate capitulation of the freedom-loving nations and their subjection to a world-wide Soviet State under Moscow's domination.

Another noticeable tactic of the Convention was the appeal to all Ukrainians as such, which in summary form ran something like this: "Ukrainians of Canada. Let us forget our differences. Irrespective of our

religious and political beliefs, let us create an atmosphere of friendship and brotherhood as behooves people of similar blood, similar interests and aims. Let us strive to enhance our Ukrainian culture in Canada and to achieve higher standing in the life of this Dominion, destroying all signs of discrimination in the achievement of this aim, and working hand in hand to realize the aspirations of our people."

Of course this appeal seems innocent enough on its face and seemingly worthy of the support of all Ukrainians but

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How are we going to accept the extended hand of so-called friendship and brotherhood? There is no doubt about the nationalist groups among the Ukrainians in Canada as expressed through their central body: the **Canadian Ukrainian Committee**. They will say: "We view with suspicion the extension of your sullied hands towards us; for any union with you with your own aims of subversion would be tantamount to disloyalty to this country, yes, even treason, not only to our adopted country but to all decent Ukrainians as a whole.

For all of you comrades of the A.U.U.C. must be aware that you are not the victims of duplicity, that you are fully conscious of your subversive activities. You must know that you belong to an organization whose aims are diametrically opposed to those of Canada and the Ukrainian people. Your loyalty to a regime, the cruelties of which have no comparison in history, amounts to disloyalty to the national aspirations of the Ukrainian people, and

by your actions and your aims to disloyalty to your newly adopted country, Canada. For you, comrades Macievich, Kravchuk, Swystum and Felipovich, etc., were in the Ukraine. You must know, if you only dare to say so, how those people over there, your own flesh and blood, are being persecuted until the U.S.S.R. has become a far worse "prison of the nations", in comparison with which the old Tsarist Russia is an Eden. You had ample opportunity to see at first hand the wretched conditions of life of the worker and the peasant that you try to cover up when you come back to Canada, because the ideal you hold up before your listeners or your readers must not be destroyed by a relation to the grim, stark and brutal reality that exists over there. The destruction of millions of your own people by hunger, the slave camp and genocide means nothing to you alongside of this false ideal. Let them suffer but the ideal must not be shattered. Is this why you extend the hand of friendship to us that this ideal may never be destroyed? You have seen the towns and cities of our beautiful Ukraine but the people are afraid to speak their own Ukrainian language for fear of reprisals and being charged with being "enemies of the people". You must know that the Ukrainian towns and cities are deliberately populated with non-Ukrainians to keep control in the hands of non-Ukrainians. For Ukrainians to speak Ukrainian in their own country is tantamount to counter-revolution, and disloyalty. Thus it is only paper autonomy and not actual autonomy that you have over there.

You speak of developing Ukrainian culture in Canada, but you say nothing about the development of Ukrainian culture in the Ukraine. In our primary schools, high schools and universities over there 90 per cent of the instruction is carried on in the Russian language. Why? Why has the Ukrainian language been degraded to the status of a peasant dialect? And why are the Ukrainians being systematically destroyed by genocide and the camp and exile into the unfertile wastes of Siberia? The reason is obvious.

You speak of celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the greatest Ukrainian poet and writer of Western Ukraine, Ivan Franko; and you speak with much gusto of how that is also being done in the Ukraine. So far so good. But you must have pangs of conscience when you know that every Ukrainian writer and poet is supposed to have his **Russian progenitor** from whom he is supposed to have received his inspiration and not of himself. Thus the progenitor of Shevchenko is Bielin-sky, and so forth. In your editorial of February 15th you quote the terrorized Rilsky as having written: "The inspiration of all of Franko's works emanated from Chernishev-sky and Dobrolubov of whom Franco was their greatest propagandist. Bow down before the Great Lie, you Ukrainians, and learn what you never realized before. Your dependence on the Great Russian brother, yes, and your subservience too! You are the inferior and less gifted brother and you must never deign to rise above that status! Know thyself and act accordingly!

And now let us deal with an actual case. You sent one of your

stooges, Mr. Wasyl Swystun on a visit to the Ukraine, and now you are using him as your emisary to draw more dupes into your ranks, dupes who are not wise to your Judas tactics. The theme of his tune is: **"Return to the Ukraine! There is no country on earth where the intelligentsia has it so good and is so well respected."**

And now we ask: "What kind of intelligentsia? The type like that most wretched Rilsky who is now forced to serve the hangman of the Ukraine? They are the kind of intelligentsia that help Moscow maintain its hated rule and strip the people of all their belongings. And for the ordinary laborer and peasant you know without us telling you all about the wretched conditions they have to work under. But you keep silent; for like all communists you've lost all feeling for the poorer classes now living in chains and bondage in the Ukraine.

We could argue about conditions over there point by point, mentioning the 1932 famine in the Ukraine which Mr. Swystun passes off so lightly by putting the whole blame on the peasants, amongst whom might have been his own father and mother if Western Ukraine had then been under the Soviets. We could mention to you the numerous piles of dead bodies, victims of the murderous NKVD prior to the entry of the Germans in 1941. We could recall to your mind the murder of thousands of Ukrainian intelligentsia of the type that are supposed to be having it **"so good"** in the Ukraine, according to Mr. Swystun; men and women who were murdered for no other reason than that they fought for better conditions for themselves.

Oh yes, Mr. Swystun, your intelligentsia over there is so happy that thousands of them have been shipped out of Western Ukraine to an unknown fate either into the slave camps of Siberia or the deserts of Kazakstan. But what does the suffering of the countless numbers of Soviet victims matter to him—he was not one of the sufferers? The communists have a habit of appeasing themselves by their own propaganda which is replete with praise for the Soviet system and a negation of all the dastardly deeds committed in the name of communism. To those of us who know what conditions are like in the Ukraine our answer is: **We want no part of your BIG LIE.**

III

And now a final word to all those who would help do Soviet Russia's dirty work in Canada by organizing her communist fronts for her and those so-called "Cultural Relations with the Ukraine". We know that you are not actuated by any real cultural motives, but to increase the number of those foolish and misguided folks called fellow-travellers. That Canada has diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia and carries on trade with our country is one matter; but to be a member of an organization that propagates "Soviet Peace" and at the same time surreptitiously undermines our own way of life, is another matter again.

Let those who crave this Soviet Heaven buy a one-way ticket to this Communist Eden! Let them not prey upon our unsuspecting Canadian Ukrainians with their poisonous propaganda. The great majority of us still believe in the great virtues of the Canadian way of life and

we highly appreciate the various liberties that this country offers to us, liberties that are completely non-existent in the U.S.S.R. We would like to conclude with a word of warning: Please stop deceiving

Canadian Ukrainians with your assumption of Ukrainian sentiment. We know that your real aim is to recruit a few more adherents of your subversive communistic propaganda.

ТАРАС ШЕВЧЕНКО

1814 - 1861

Рік-річно український нарід, де б він не жив, урочисто відзначає в місяці березні пам'ять Тараса Шевченка. З вдячністю згадує його, як свого будителя, пророка й найбільшого поета.

Тарас Шевченко родився в селі Моринцях, в Київщині 9. березня, 1814 року. В той час на Україні панувало кріпацтво-невільництво. Саме Тарас був сином такого одного невольника. Як Тарасові було 24 роки, один добродій викупив йому волю. На волі жив 9 років.

Потім Москалі знова заарештували його й вивезли до Петербурга, де терпів Тарас 10 літ в далекій пустині на півночі. Терпів важкі муки й тяжкий біль з туги за рідним краєм, який любив понад все.

Коли йому було 44 роки знова

випустили його на волю. В наслідок важких мук він був вже зломаний фізично й неміг тяжко працювати. Прожив ще на волі яких 3 роки і помер на чужині, в Петербурзі, 10. березня 1861 року.

Прожив всего 47 років; з того 35 літ в неволі, 12 на свободі. Український нарід поховав його на Чернецькій горі, в Каневі, над Дніпром згідно з його останною волею.

Від гробу починає ширитись його слава по цілому світі. Український нарід вдячним спомином згадує його рік-річно. Всюди влаштовують концерти в його честь, деклямують його вірші, виставляють його портрет, пригадують собі його життя й переймаються його духом любови до Батьківщини й всего рідного.

Тарас Шевченко виплекав ніжну

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Свої почування любови він хотів передати всім Українцям. Тому намагався розбудити українську свідомість, яка пригадувала б, хто ми, яких батьків, чії сини, ким, за що закуті. Хотів він оживити дух боротьби за визволення України. Своєю поезією хотів Шевченко витворити правдивий патріотизм в Українців, т. зн. любов до всего рідного, як мова, спів, музика, танки, історія, література. Іншими словами, Шевченко розумів патріотизм не на самих словах, але на ділі; патріотизм такий, що еднав би весь нарід а не розділювавби.

Тому відзначаючи ці роковини нашого славного поета Тараса Шев-

ченка, застановімся над його словами й стараймося виплекати той правдивий патріотизм до всего рідного, щоб так припошити єдність українського народу й визволення його Батьківщини України.

О. П. М. ЧНІ.

ВЕЧІР НА УКРАЇНІ

Т. ШЕВЧЕНКО

Садок вишневий коло хати,
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Семя вечера коло хати,
Вечірня зіронька встає:
Дочка вечерять подає . . .
А мати хоче научати,
Так соловейко не дає.

Поклала мати коло хати
Маленьких діточок своїх,
Сама заснула коло їх.
Затихло все . . . Тільки дівчата
Та соловейко не затих.

Let's Chat

Before we begin our regular chat I would like to express sincere thanks to those of you who did write in as I suggested. Receiving letters from you is always a very welcome event and one to which I always look forward eagerly every month. Some of you made one or two comments when you sent in your subscriptions and that is a very encouraging note. I would like to send a special thank you to James Kowalchuk of Goodeve, Saskatche-

wan for his nice long letter. Your suggestions were very welcome, James. We hope to follow some of your ideas in the near future. Very soon now we propose to start a "Letters to the Editor" page, so all of you will be able to read comments by various readers.

By the way, have you read the new feature, "Date Data" which has begun in this issue? Some of you suggested we have more articles dealing with social problems f

youth, and this is our answer. If you approve of the feature and would like us to continue it, just let us hear from you, okay.

Another article I would heartily recommend for your reading is the translation of an editorial which appeared in the Ukrainian News some time ago. Communist groups in Canada are constantly forming organizations which have names similar to our own clubs, in order to confuse our people. All of us should be aware of the names these organizations take, so we won't be fooled by any communist propaganda.

For our U.C.Y. club of the month we have chosen the Calmar U.C.Y. organization. Even though this organization is small and the members have to overcome the transportation problem to attend meetings, they have shown that they are really interested in the U.C.Y. and the YOUTH magazine. Their twenty dollar donation to the Press Fund serves as tangible proof of their desire to help such an important understanding. If every U.C.Y. local in Canada followed their example this magazine would soon have triple the number of pages which appear now. We are sure you would all like to join us in thanking the Calmar U.C.Y. for their contribution and in wishing them continued success in all their undertakings.

Now let's turn to you and to your own club. Are you having an active season? Many clubs tend to curtail their activities after Easter and remain dormant until the Fall. I hope your club isn't planning to cut its activities so soon, is it? The spring and summer months afford many opportunities for doing things which weren't possible in the colder

season. Outdoor sports usually occupy an important spot in the agenda of active clubs. You could easily have tournaments with other groups. In addition, you could always plan a trip to some nearby lake or resort for a full day of fun and pleasure. You can probably think of other activities yourself.

It is true that during July and August it is more difficult to hold meetings because so many members may be having their holidays at the time. However, that is no excuse for not having at least a short meeting once a month at this time. Furthermore, with the nice summer weather and easier transportation, what better time is there to travel to various U.C.Y. clubs within reasonable distance of your own. Why not get in touch with some of these clubs and plan to exchange visits. What better way is there to reach a closer understanding of your own group than this? We should strive to make our locals active, year-long events so we can truly take full advantage of every opportunity we can to benefit ourselves and other and to be a credit to our Church and to our Country. What do you think about this matter? Do you agree or not? Perhaps you can give us more ideas about what U.C.Y. locals can do during the summer months.

Before we finish our chat for this month, I would like to mention one matter which is of great importance to all of us. I promise I won't mention it again for a long time. As you all know, it takes a considerable time before any publication can become firmly established and financially independent. The YOUTH is now appearing monthly

in this reduced form of sixteen pages but I am sure all of you would like to have it coming to you in a larger edition. You would, wouldn't you? Well, it's very possible but more help will be needed. Why not get after your club to sponsor some special event and donate the proceeds to our Press Fund? Furthermore, why not see to it that every Ukrainian Catholic Youth in your community subscribes to this magazine?

If we have enough confidence and determination, we can accomplish whatever we set out to do. Some of you may have lost confidence in the YOUTH because of its irregular publication in the past few years. Well, you can rest assured that the situation is now changed. It has appeared regularly for the past five issues and will continue to do so. Our immediate problem is one of expansion. Let's all get together and do everything we can to help our own magazine to increase by leaps and bounds. With God's help and some work on

our part, we can make the YOUTH a magazine of which we can be justly proud.

Well, our chat has been longer than usual this month. I hope you don't mind. Do you? Why not write in before our next chat? Maybe you have some suggestions about further problems and ideas which you could suggest?

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Hubby: "Well, darling, I've just had my life insured for \$10,000."

Wife: "That's nice. Now I won't have to keep telling you to be careful every place you go."

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In order to maintain a well-balanced perspective, the person who has a dog to worship him should also have a cat to ignore him.—
Reader's Digest Release.

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"I wonder why Mrs. Jones always brings her knitting to our meetings?"

"It gives her something to think about while she talks."

Cover Policy

Every month, on the cover of our magazine, we hope to feature some outstanding achievement of Ukrainians in Canada. Furthermore, we would like to have it as representative as possible and give every community an opportunity to tell others about itself. If there is any accomplishment in your community which you feel proud of, why not write and tell us about it. In addition to the picture, we will have a feature story about the work depicted. If you would like to learn about this more fully, why not write to the editor for further details.

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